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TITLE

: FUEL GAS ODORANT

ABSTRACT : PURPOSE: To provide a fuel gas odorant that produces sufficient odor in low concentration which consists of specific odor-generating component, acetylenic

hydrocarbon, and tert-butylmercaptan.

CONSTITUTION: Two or more of odor-generating components (A) selected from methyl acrylate, ethyl acrylate, methyl methacrylate, allyl methacrylate, ethyl propionate, methyl n-butyrate, methyl isobutyrate, and pulenyl acrylate is added with 20wt% or more of, or preferably 35~50wt% of 4~8C acethylenic hydrocarbon such as butyne-1, vinylacethylene, hexyne, and, as needed, 2wt% or more of, or preferably 5~20wt% of tert-butylmercaptan, thereby providing a fuel gas odorant. This odorant in amount of 50wt.ppm or more, preferably 100wt.ppm is added to fuel gas.

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